

4. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
WESTMORELAND OF GEORGIA, OR HIS
DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 40 MINUTES:

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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 9, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. WESTMORELAND OF GEORGIA**

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. ____.** **EXPEDITED DECLARATORY JUDGMENT IN CER-**
2 **TAIN CASES.**

3 Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 is amend-
4 ed by adding at the end the following: "The Attorney Gen-
5 eral shall, not later than 3 years after the date of the en-
6 actment of this sentence, and annually thereafter, deter-
7 mine whether each State and political subdivision to which
8 the requirements of this section apply meets the require-
9 ments for a declaratory judgment under section 4(a). The
10 Attorney General shall inform the public and each State
11 or political subdivision of the determination with respect
12 to that State or subdivision. The Attorney General shall
13 consent to the entry of judgment in favor of a State or
14 political subdivision that seeks such a declaratory judg-
15 ment if the Attorney General has determined that State
16 or subdivision currently meets the requirements."